

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 13 Jun 62		2. LOCATION 08.08N 105.5E		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Formalhaut ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 13/1700Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION over 5 hours		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj initially sighted at 106dgr true on horizon. Disappearance following morning twilight at 73dgr elev 160dgr azimuth. Described as brighter than Venus or any 1st mag star. Alternately appearing & disappearing. Pear shaped. White cloudy glow appeared to grow around center as the brightness diminished. No effect on Radar or radio.				11. COMMENTS Formalhaut described in rpt for most of the period. Obj rate of motion consistent w/the movement of an astro body. It is difficult to understand how this 1st mag star was misidentified by the naval unit rptng it as a UFO. However, since the positional info coincides w/that of the star, case is evaluated as the star Formalhaut. Distortion due to atmospheric conditions.	

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AF IN : 11299 (16 Jun 62) S/bms

M 141141Z

FM USS MATHEWS

TO CINCPACFLT

INFO COMSEVENTHFLT

CTG 76.6

CTF 76

READRESSED AS DEFERRED 160156Z JUN 62
 FM COMSEVENTHFLT
 INFO RBEPW/CNO
 RJEZHQ/DIA
 RBEPW/OSD/ISA
 RUHPB/CINCPACFLT
 RUATH/COMNAVFORJAPAN
 RUHLKMD/PACAF HICKAM AFB

AF DIST: OOP-CP-1, CIN-14, OOP-2k, SAFS-3,
 DIA-8 (28)

UNUSUAL CELESTIAL PHENOMENA, SIGHTING.

1. AT 131700Z MATHEWS IN POSITION 08.8N 105.5E SIGHTED
 WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN EXTREMELY BRIGHT STAR ON THE HORIZON
 BEARING 106T. INTENSITY MUCH GREATER THAN ANY PLANET OR FIRST
 MAGNITUDE STAR.

2. FROM 131700Z TO 131730Z OBJECT ALTERNATELY DISAPPEARED AND
 REAPPEARED, GAINING ALTITUDE RAPIDLY. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE
 SUPERIMPOSED UPON A LINE OF 4 OR 5 SMALL LIGHTS. IT WAS A PEAR
 SHAPED IN FORM, ABOUT 2 OR 3 TIMES THE SIZE OF ANY PLANET.

3. AT 131920Z, OBJECT'S LUMINESCENCE DIMMED MOMENTARILY BUT
 QUICKLY REGAINED ORIGINAL INTENSITY. ALTITUDE 43 DEGREES.

4. AT 132020Z LUMINESCENCE GRADUALLY DECREASED TO 1/2 OF ORIGINAL
 INTENSITY AND, AS INTENSITY DECREASED, A WHITE CLOUDY GLOW AROUND
 THE CENTER APPEARED TO INCREASE IN SIZE. GREATEST ALTITUDE NOTED
 WAS AT 132200Z, 73 DEGREES BEARING 160T. OBJECT WAS STILL
 FAINTLY VISIBLE AFTER ALL STARS HAD DISAPPEARED FOLLOWING MORNING
 TWILIGHT.

5. OBJECT HAS NO EFFECT ON RADAR NOR RADIO RECEPTION.
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